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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Canceled)
2. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~1~~ 17, ~~wherein employing the ASR/NLU includes responding to the voice-based interface using~~ further comprising transmitting to the VCS account, in response to said received verbal communication, at least one of an audio tone, a DTMF tones, a pulse tone, a synthesized voice, and a pre-recorded voice.
3. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~1~~ 17, wherein the access and control data for the at least one VCS account is provided from a computer database ~~to the application~~.
4. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~1~~ 17, wherein ~~communicating between the ASR/NLU application and the voice-based interface~~ receiving at least one verbal communication and transmitting a response occurs through a communications network.
5. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~1~~ 4, wherein ~~the communicating between the ASR/NLU application and the voice-based interface occurs through~~ said communications network includes at least one of: a public switched telephone network, a private telephone network, a wireless telephone network, a voice carrier over a data protocol, ~~or~~ and voice over IP.
6. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~1~~ 17, ~~further comprising~~ wherein said at least one corresponding action includes:
receiving a subsequent verbal communication from said VCS account, said subsequent verbal communication containing information, and
notifying a VCS account subscriber that information has been received by the VCS account.
7. (Currently amended) The method of claim 6, wherein notifying the subscriber includes subsequently allowing the subscriber to receive the information received from the VCS account.

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8. (Currently amended) The method of claim 7, wherein allowing the subscriber to receive the information from the VCS account includes at least one of: receiving said information from the VCS in real-time, and ~~or receiving said information~~ from a second storage device.
9. (Currently amended) The method of claim 6, wherein ~~the step of~~ notifying includes notifying by at least one of facsimile, instant messaging, email, an updated web page, a page, a wireless access device and a telephone call.
10. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~4~~ 6, wherein the information is a financial information, a voice message, a stock quote, news, entertainment information, a sports score, a horoscope, a prediction, or a reminder.
11. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein the information from the VCS is provided on a fee per call basis.
12. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~6~~ 7, wherein prior to allowing the subscriber to receive the information received from the VCS account, the subscriber is prompted to enter an access code to receive the notification for authentication purposes.
13. (Canceled)
14. (Currently amended) The system of claim ~~13~~ 18, wherein ~~the system includes the transceiver being is further~~ configured to communicate with a client through a communications network and ~~the application being said processor is further~~ configured to provide the client with the information received ~~by the application~~ from the VCS account.
15. (Currently amended) The system of claim 14, wherein the application system is configured to receive from the client the VCS account access data and VCS account interface control data.
16. (Currently amended) The system of claim ~~13~~ 18, wherein the system is configured to provide an automatic notification to a user by at least one of a facsimile, an instant message, an email, an updated web page, a page to a beeper, a wireless access device and a telephone call.

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17. (New) A method for interacting and receiving data from at least one Voice-Based Communications System (VCS) account, the method comprising:
- accessing said at least one VCS account;
 - receiving at least one verbal communication from the VCS account;
 - using an Automatic Speech Recognition (ASR) application to identify words included in said at least one verbal communication;
 - applying the identified words to at least one Natural Language Understanding (NLU) rule;
 - and,
 - based on a result from said NLU rule, performing at least one user-specified action.
18. (New) A system for interacting and receiving data from at least one Voice-Based Communication Systems (VCS) account, the system comprising:
- a transceiver for accessing said at least one VCS account, and receiving at least one verbal communication from said VCS account;
 - an Automatic Speech Recognition (ASR) module coupled to said transceiver for identifying words included in said at least one verbal communication;
 - a Natural Language Understanding (NLU) module coupled to said ASR module for applying said identified words to at least one NLU rule; and,
 - a processor having instructions for performing at least one action based on a result from said NLU rule.